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House Resolution 568

By: Representatives Mangham of the 94<sup>th</sup>, Stephenson of the 92<sup>nd</sup>, Dawkins-Haigler of the 93<sup>rd</sup>, Williams of the 89<sup>th</sup>, and Mitchell of the 88<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the City of Lithonia; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, before being granted a charter by the General Assembly of Georgia on March
- 3 5, 1856, Lithonia began as a small community formed at the intersection of two roads in the
- 4 eastern part of DeKalb County, known as Cross Roads; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the small town saw great economic growth and prosperity due to development
- 6 of the local granite industry; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the first major streets in the city were Main, Decatur, Conyers, Stone Mountain,
- 8 Hollingsworth, and Born; and
- 9 WHEREAS, over the last 153 years, Lithonia has grown with public and private schools,
- 10 churches, businesses, and civic organizations and continues to progress by maintaining
- current business establishments and developing new opportunities for the city to grow; and
- 12 WHEREAS, throughout its history, the City of Lithonia has had a unique personality all its
- 13 own, and Georgia and DeKalb County have been very blessed to have this vibrant
- 14 community for 153 years; and
- 15 WHEREAS, the citizens of the City of Lithonia are justly proud of their community, its past,
- and its many contributions to the state, and it is only proper to recognize this great city of
- 17 Georgia.
- 18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 19 the members of this body join in commemorating the 153rd anniversary of the founding of
- 20 the City of Lithonia and express their very best wishes for many more years of prosperity for
- 21 this treasure of DeKalb County.

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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized

23 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the City Council of

24 Lithonia.